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SUBJECT: SECRET SERVICE AGENTS KALAFATIS AND AMBROSE -
SUBPOENA FOR TRIAL AT LEFKAS

1. AS RESULT OF AN INCIDENT THAT OCCURRED ON SKORPIOS
IN JULY OF 1971, FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE BEING SUBPOENAED
FOR TRIAL ON APRIL 12, 1973: SPECIAL AGENTS JAMES
KALAFATIS AND JOHN AMBROSE, U. S. SECRET SERVICE AND STEVE
DAROUSSOS, CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE YACHT " CHRISTINA".
THEY ARE CHARGED WITH HAVING ASSAULTED, INTIMIDATED AND
THREATENED ONE DEMITRIOS KOULOURIS, A PHOTOGRAPHER,
DURING THE INCIDENT. THEY ARE SUBPOENAED TO APPEAR FOR
TRIAL IN THE MAGISTRATES COURT AT LEFKAS ON APRIL 12.

2. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE HAS RETAINED ATHENS ATTORNEY
LAMBADARIOS ON A STAND BY BASIS. EMBASSY SHOULD CONSULT
WITH HIM SOONEST. AMBROSE AND KALAFATIS WERE ACTING
WITHIN THE CAPACITY OF THEIR OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITIES
AND EMBASSY MAY WISH BRING CASE TO ATTENTION MINISTRY
OF JUSTICE PARTICULARLY IN VIEW LIKELIHOOD KOULOURIS
SEEKING ONLY NOTORIETY. OUR UNDERSTANDING IS THAT IF
DEFENDENTS DO NOT APPEAR FOR TRIAL THEIR ATTORNEY WILL
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NOT BE ABLE TO PLEAD ON THEIR BEHALF AND AGENTS COULD BE GIVEN SENTENCES IN ABSENTIA WHICH COULD AFFECT THEIR ABILITY TO RETURN TO GREECE TO CARRY OUT OFFICIAL FUNCTIONS IN FUTURE.

3. ECT TO USE OF REFERRAL PROCEDURE IF NECESSARY IN THESE INSTANCES.

6. DEPT REGRETS TEMPORARY INCONVENIENCE TO APPLICANTS POSED BY FIVE- DAY DELAY REQUIRED BY BOULDER CLEARANCE AND RECOGNIZES KUWAIT' S DIFFICULTY AFFORDING TRAVELLERS EXPEDITIOUS SERVICE, HOWEVER FOREGOING ARGUMENTS SHOULD IMPRESS EMB WITH DEP' S CONCERN ABOUT SIGNIFICANT RISKS ENTAILED IN CONTINUING REFERRAL PROCEDURE IN NON- EMERGENCY CASES. ROGERS

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